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# **Fiscal Note**

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Prime Sponsors: Sen. Zenzinger; Kirkmeyer Bill Status: Senate Appropriations

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Bill Topic: TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF MEDICAID REQUIREMENTS

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

**No fiscal impact.** The bill codifies and aligns state Medicaid statutes and requirements in line with federal law and regulations related to the COVID-19 public health emergency. These changes are assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status:

The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

### Summary of Legislation

The bill suspends various statutory requirements related to enrollment and cost sharing for Medicaid and other state health programs in line with federal law. These changes are a condition of receiving federal funds under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, which requires states to maintain continuous coverage for clients and provide certain services during specified wind-down periods following the end of the federal public health emergency.

## **Assessment of No Fiscal Impact**

The bill codifies and aligns state statute with federal law and regulations. Given that HCPF is currently implementing these changes and their FY 2023-24 budget request already includes funding related to the suspension of these various provisions of state law in line with federal requirements, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

#### **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

#### **State and Local Government Contacts**

Health Care Policy and Financing Information Technology